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Title:	MICROORGANISM OR CELL COLLECTION METHOD, AND MICROORGANISM OR CELL COLLECTING IMPLEMENT USED FOR THE METHOD		

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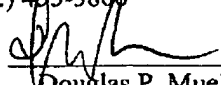
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 1, 2008, said period of response being extended from March 1, 2009 to April 1, 2009.

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